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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Art Unit: 3683

**LOAD CARRYING AXIAL POSITIONERS  
WITH OVERLOAD ENERGY ABSORPTION**

Examiner: Thomas Williams

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**ELECTION OF SPECIES**

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed December 30, 2004, applicant elects, without traverse, initial prosecution of Species A including Figures 1 and 2 of the drawings. Claims 1-10, 12, 13 and 17-20 are considered to be readable on at least one embodiment of the elected species.

Respectfully submitted,

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